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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the Office action mailed October 3, 2006, in the above-identified application. Also being submitted herewith are a Replacement Drawing Sheet, a Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.132, and a request for a 3-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) including authorization to charge the fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) to a Deposit Account.

Please amend the claims in the above-identified application as shown below under Claim Amendments. This section includes the current status of all claims in the application and the text of all pending claims. The currently amended claims are marked up to show the changes made relative to the immediate prior version, using strikethrough for deleted matter and underlining for added matter.

Please amend the specification in the above-identified application as shown below under Specification Amendments. This section includes a replacement paragraph for each paragraph being amended. The replacement paragraphs are marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version, using strikethrough for deleted matter and underlining for added matter.